

**REMARKS**

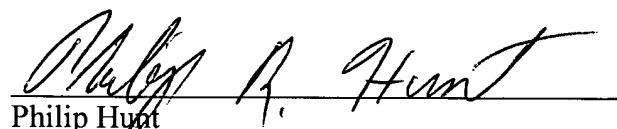
The applicant respectfully requests this amendment after allowance be entered under 37 C.F.R. §1.312.

**CONCLUSION**

The applicant believes the amendment requested above resolves the inconsistency pointed out by the examiner. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the issuance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Phil Hunt at (503) 439-6073. Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account number 02-2666.

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